

Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) Calendar of Estimated Evaluation Finding Release Dates 2013/14 through 2017/18

Project Title	Primary Project Objectives	Deliverable (those that include Results and Conclusions)	Estimated Release Date
Prevention and Early Intervention Initial Statewide Evaluation	Identify the total amount of MHSA PEI funds spent on prevention programs and early intervention programs and services in FY 11/12; for both prevention and early intervention, identify who is being served and what kinds of programs and activities and strategies were implemented during FY 11/12	Report on Use of PEI Funds for Prevention and Early Intervention	02/01/14
Reducing Disparities in Access to Care	Use a quantitative approach to evaluate the impact of the MHSA on reducing disparities in access to care; obtain trends in access to care for all clients and new admissions to county mental health systems broken down by age, race/ethnicity, and gender	Report on In-Depth Analysis of Trends in Access to Care for Systems of Care including Community Services and Supports	04/01/14
Trends in Initial Priority Indicators	Establish trends in system- and individual-level priority indicators for Full Service Partnerships and all Community Systems and Supports consumers for FY 04/05 through 11/12 using currently available data by age group; do this at the Statewide and County level	Priority Indicators Trends Report	07/01/14
Reducing Disparities in Access to Care	Using a participatory research approach, assess consumer and family member perspectives regarding MHSA impact on reducing disparities in access to care	Report on Analysis of Client and Family Member Perspectives regarding Impact of MHSA on Disparities	07/01/14

Prevention and Early Intervention Initial Statewide Evaluation	Evaluate the impact of a sample of early intervention programs that fall within various “clusters” (i.e., first break psychosis programs; trauma-focused programs for children that show signs and symptoms of mental illness/emotional disturbance; and programs for older adults who show signs of depression); focus will be on outcomes associated with untreated mental illness (e.g., suicide, incarceration, unemployment, prolonged suffering)	Report on Results of Cluster Evaluation of Early Intervention Programs	08/01/14
Summary and Synthesis of County Evaluation Efforts	Collect and summarize results of county evaluation efforts in order to promote positive effects from MHSA-funded programs and highlight areas where improvement is needed	Report of County Evaluations for FY 11/12 and 12/13	08/01/14
Community Program Planning (CPP) Process Evaluation	Evaluate the impact of the effectiveness of the local community program planning processes using participatory research methods and identify promising practices that can be incorporated into training and technical assistance	Final Report of Promising CPP Process Practices	11/01/14
Evaluation of Innovative Program Evaluations	Assess the quality and efficacy of current Innovation Program evaluations that are being carried out by counties and take steps to ensure that counties are receiving enough support to independently conduct rigorous evaluations	Report of Research/Evaluation Results and Promising Practices	12/01/14
Statewide Prevention and Early Intervention Program Tracking and Monitoring	Implement an ongoing method for describing and cataloguing programs funded by PEI	Yearly Report of PEI Programs funded in FY 12/13	02/01/15
Statewide Performance Monitoring of the Public Community-Based Mental Health System	Implement and continue to refine a method to continuously track and assess the performance of California’s public community-based mental health system	Yearly Report of Mental Health System Performance for FY 12/13	02/01/15

Statewide Monitoring and Tracking of County-Submitted MHSA Plans, Updates, and Expenditures	Implement the system to continuously track and monitor data submitted by counties via Three-Year Plans, Annual Updates, and Revenue and Expenditure Reports	Yearly Report of County-Submitted MHSA Plans and Expenditures for FY 12/13	02/01/15
Statewide Prevention and Early Intervention Program Tracking and Monitoring	Implement an ongoing method for describing and cataloguing programs funded by PEI	Yearly Report of PEI Programs funded in FY 13/14	02/01/16
Statewide Performance Monitoring of the Public Community-Based Mental Health System	Implement and continue to refine a method to continuously track and assess the performance of California's public community-based mental health system	Yearly Report of Mental Health System Performance for FY 13/14	02/01/16
Statewide Monitoring and Tracking of County-Submitted MHSA Plans, Updates, and Expenditures	Implement the system to continuously track and monitor data submitted by counties via Three-Year Plans, Annual Updates, and Revenue and Expenditure Reports	Yearly Report of County-Submitted MHSA Plans and Expenditures for FY 13/14	02/01/16
Transition-Age Youth Service Evaluation	Determine the effectiveness of methods for engaging and serving transitional age youth (TAY)	Report of Evaluation Results	07/1/16
Community Services and Support Statewide Tracking and Monitoring System	Use the newly developed and piloted system to evaluate the efficacy of services for non-Full Service Partnership clients	Report of Evaluation Results	09/01/16
Statewide Prevention and Early Intervention Program Tracking and Monitoring	Implement an ongoing method for describing and cataloguing programs funded by PEI	Yearly Report of PEI Programs funded in FY 14/15	02/01/17
Statewide Performance Monitoring of the Public Community-Based Mental Health System	Implement and continue to refine a method to continuously track and assess the performance of California's public community-based mental health system	Yearly Report of Mental Health System Performance for FY 14/15	02/01/17
Statewide Monitoring and Tracking of County-Submitted MHSA Plans, Updates, and Expenditures	Implement the system to continuously track and monitor data submitted by counties via Three-Year Plans, Annual Updates, and Revenue and Expenditure Reports	Yearly Report of County-Submitted MHSA Plans and Expenditures for FY 14/15	02/01/17
Evaluation of Selected Programs for Older Adults	Evaluate the efficacy of well-defined interventions for older adults	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/17

Evidence-Based Practices for Children and Families	Determine the scope of implementation and effectiveness of evidence-based practices for children and their families	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/17
Assessment and Classification of Full Service Partnership Programs	Explore the feasibility of classifying Full Service Partnership programs in a meaningful and useful fashion	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/17
Statewide Prevention and Early Intervention Program Tracking and Monitoring	Implement an ongoing method for describing and cataloguing programs funded by PEI	Yearly Report of PEI Programs funded in FY 15/16	02/01/18
Statewide Performance Monitoring of the Public Community-Based Mental Health System	Implement and continue to refine a method to continuously track and assess the performance of California's public community-based mental health system	Yearly Report of Mental Health System Performance for FY 15/16	02/01/18
Statewide Monitoring and Tracking of County-Submitted MHSA Plans, Updates, and Expenditures	Implement the system to continuously track and monitor data submitted by counties via Three-Year Plans, Annual Updates, and Revenue and Expenditure Reports	Yearly Report of County-Submitted MHSA Plans and Expenditures for FY 15/16	02/01/18
Evaluation of Consumer-Run Services	Determine the effectiveness of consumer-run services	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/18
Screening for Substance Use Issues	Determine the effectiveness of screening all persons receiving services for substance use issues	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/18
Routine Monitoring of Technological Needs Expenditures	Develop and implement a plan for routine monitoring and special studies of the impact of Technological Needs expenditures	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/18
Assessment of Recovery Orientation of Programs	Explore the extent of and variation in recovery orientation of programs	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/18
Statewide Prevention and Early Intervention Program Tracking and Monitoring	Implement an ongoing method for describing and cataloguing programs funded by PEI	Yearly Report of PEI Programs funded in FY 16/17	02/01/19
Statewide Performance Monitoring of the Public Community-Based Mental Health System	Implement and continue to refine a method to continuously track and assess the performance of California's public community-based mental health system	Yearly Report of Mental Health System Performance for FY 16/17	02/01/19

Statewide Monitoring and Tracking of County-Submitted MHSA Plans, Updates, and Expenditures	Implement the system to continuously track and monitor data submitted by counties via Three-Year Plans, Annual Updates, and Revenue and Expenditure Reports	Yearly Report of County-Submitted MHSA Plans and Expenditures for FY 16/17	02/01/19
Physical Health Status of FSP Clients	Determine the effectiveness of obtaining routine physical health status indicators on Full Service Partnership (FSP) clients	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/19
FSP Cost/Cost Offset Study #2	Refine and repeat Full Service Partnership (FSP) Cost and Cost Offset Study	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/19
Promising Practices for Un/Under/Inappropriately Served Clients	Determine outcomes of promising and/or community based practices being developed by counties, particularly for un-served, underserved, and inappropriately served populations	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/19
FSP Client Characteristics Impact on Outcomes	Determine the interaction between the characteristics of the populations served in Full Service Partnerships (FSP) and the outcomes obtained for those programs and clients	Report of Evaluation Results	10/01/19

This document provides a detailed list of estimated dates on which MHSOAC evaluation results will be released to the public. It includes a list of project titles, a brief description of each project's primary objectives, deliverables in which major results and findings will be shared, and estimated release dates upon which those deliverables will be disseminated to the public. This information is listed for all currently underway evaluation activities, as well as evaluation activities the MHSOAC plans to begin in the future per the Evaluation Master Plan. The activities are listed in chronological order based on their estimated release dates, with the soonest dates appearing at the top of the list.

Please note that all dates listed are subject to change based on the myriad of factors that impact completion and dissemination of MHSOAC research (e.g., timely receipt of data from counties; timely receipt of statewide data from the Department of Health Care Services; the quality of data that is available; contractor issues; stakeholder feedback on research designs and preliminary draft reports; timing of MHSOAC internal review processes; the quality of contractor-submitted reports; level of contract compliance for contractor-submitted reports; hiring of new evaluation staff to complete internal activities; etc.).

The list of activities in the table is based on the items included and described within the current Evaluation Master Plan, which is subject to change based on the yearly prioritization process. Per the prioritization process described within the Master Plan, each year, all future activities are reconsidered along with any new ideas for evaluation activities that have been identified (e.g., those described within prior evaluation reports and based on prior MHSOAC evaluation efforts; ideas brought forth by stakeholders). Use of the prioritization process allows for all new and previously identified evaluation activities to be (re)considered and (re)prioritized based on current contextual factors and other relevant information. Therefore, all activities listed in this document and their estimated release dates may change based on this yearly prioritization process (i.e., some activities may be done sooner than expected, some may be done later than anticipated, some may be deleted from this list altogether, and new items may be added). The MHSOAC has recently begun this prioritization process for FY 2014/15, which will enable us to finalize the activities to begin during this fiscal year. Until this process is complete, the activities listed herein reflect priorities established in FY 12/13 that may or may not reflect priorities that will be focused on in FY 14/15.

If you have any questions about the contents of this document or would like further clarification regarding the projects and activities listed below, please contact Dr. Renay Bradley, Director of Research and Evaluation at the MHSOAC, at renay.bradley@mhsoac.ca.gov or 916-445-8726.